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Upcoming Veteran Court Events

Vet Court Family Day

To honor our Justice Involved Veterans, Graduates and their families, we are excited to announce our...



2nd Annual Veterans Court Family Day

July 23rd 2016 12:00pm – 4:00pm Relics and Rods Hall LHC Aquatics Center

BBQ food, live entertainment, Kid Zone, Veteran Booths & More!

Local Veteran Events

World Elder Abuse Awareness Day – June 15

Relics and Rods Hall – Aquatics Center

Elder abuse can happen to anyone, from any walk of life. It is a well hidden problem that affects many hundreds of thousands of people worldwide. There is no charge to attend and registration includes continental breakfast and lunch.

Please register by June 14, 2016: Call 928-855-5000 or online havasucommunityhealth.org



Hospice of Havasu offers both Grief Support Groups and Caregiver Support Groups at no cost.

Grief Support Groups: 365 S. Lake Havasu Ave.

Wednesdays 10AM – 11AM at Hospice of Havasu Lobby

Thursdays 5:30PM – 6:30PM at Hospice of Havasu Lobby

Caregiver Support Groups: 232 London Bridge Rd
Tuesdays 1:30PM – 3PM at the meeting space adjacent to
the Hospice of Havasu Resale Store.

For more information, please call 928-453-2111.

The Graduate Review Board

Graduate

Arthur Scott

VTC Graduation Date

March 13th, 2015

VTC Experience:

Branch of Service



"Everybody has certain experiences in their life that they will remember forever. One of mine is going through Veterans Court. My view of the court system was pretty much the same as everybody else's, they just want your money and to be in control of your life. However, what I found was the exact opposite.

"When I first entered Veterans Court, I was nervous and unsure about what to expect. Counseling and AA-type meetings were ordered. I was surprised that the AA-type meetings were ordered because I had never been arrested for an alcohol incident; however, I did drink.

"My first counseling was pretty eye-opening. I found that the counselors have a way of telling if you are not being honest, and as much as I tried to tell him there was nothing wrong with me, he would end the meeting by saying,

'If you don't have any problems, why are you in Veterans Court?'

The Graduate Review Board

"After that, my following meetings became more of a realization of what I was doing, why I was doing it, and for finding tools to change my way of thinking for better decision making in my daily life.

"Through my V.A. counselor, I saw the reasons for the decisions I made in my past and know how not to make them again. When people think of AA they normally think of the out-of-control-drunks with multiple DUIs and previous jail time. I found out that's not the case. While some do have DUIs, about half of them had never gotten into trouble at all. When I listened to each and every one of them, I basically heard my life from their lips. I learned a lot from their 12 step program—which can actually improve your life whether you go to AA or not.

"My experience with Veterans Court was 100% positive and has sent me to people that I never would have went to on my own. The last thing a Marine ever does is ask for help, as its not in our training. We are Veterans and we all have been to the V.A. We all have seen those pamphlets on the wall and we all have ignored them. Judge Kalauli has no interest in taking your money or sending you to jail. His only interest is helping us Veterans achieve our goals, so we won't have to go through the court system again. It has truly been an honor meeting Judge Kalauli and all the Veterans Court staff.

"I am very thankful for what they do, not just for me, but for all Veterans."

Kingman Vet Court

Upcoming Veterans Court Dates

June 15th, 2016 1:30PM



Veterans Resource Team Meeting

The Veterans Resource Team (VRT) was formed in response to the growing needs of Veterans in our community and Justice system. The VRT is a collaboration between many of the local Veteran and City organizations who have one common goal: Help our Veterans!

June 8th 2016 12:00PM Kingman Municipal Court

Benefits and Service Sector

Spotlight On:

Education Benefits

Thinking about furthering your education? As a Veteran, there are many GI Bill programs available to you that, depending on your qualifications, could cover all or a portion of your college tuition and fees. Plus, these programs are also available to eligible spouses and family members. Below are a few of the more commonly used programs at a glance.

Post-9/11 GI Bill	Montgomery GI Bill	Survivors & Dependent Assistance	Licensing and Certification
This program is	Split in to two	Programs included in	The VA also offers
dedicated to military	programs, the	this GI Bill are: The	programs to help
members who served	Montgomery GI Bill	Fry Scholarship and	Veterans and
after 9/11. *This GI	Active Duty and the	The Survivors' and	Servicemembers
Bill also has the	Montgomery GI Bill	Dependents'	obtain a license
ability to be	Selected Reserve,	Educational	and/or certification
transferred to	this GI Bill is open	Assistance (DEA)	in a wide variety of
qualifying spouses	to military members	Program.	professional fields.
and dependent	who served before		
children.	9/11.		

This is a very basic description of these programs. For more details (including a complete list of programs, eligibility, how to apply, and a GI Bill comparison tool), please go to http://www.benefits.va.gov/gibill/index.asp or call 1-888-442-4551 (Mon – Fri, 7am – 6pm CT)

You can also contact your local Veteran Services Coordinators

Mohave Community College Eli Johnston (928) 681-5668 ejohnston@Mohave.edu

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Susie Martin
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This Month in U.S. Military History

Operation Overlord

In the early morning hours of June 6th, 1944, Operation Overlord, famously known as D-Day, began on the beaches of Normandy, France.



"During World War II (1939-1945), the Battle of Normandy, which lasted from June 1944 to August 1944, resulted in the Allied liberation of Western Europe from Nazi Germany's control."

Roughly "156,000 American, British and Canadian forces landed on five beaches along a 50-mile stretch of the heavily fortified coast of France's Normandy region. The invasion was one of the largest amphibious military assaults in history and required extensive planning. Prior to D-Day, the Allies conducted a large-scale deception campaign designed to mislead the Germans about the intended invasion target.

"By late August 1944, all of northern France had been liberated, and by the following spring the Allies had defeated the Germans. The Normandy landings have been called the beginning of the end of war in Europe."

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Judge K's Corner

"Sobriety is an essential part of treatment that leads to the long term success of the Veteran long after they graduate the program."

—Judge Kalauli



Recruiting Mentors

We want **YOU** to be involved in our LHC Veterans Treatment Court Mentor Program!!!

Bring Support to Veterans Court

Family and Friends are always welcome at our Veterans Treatment Court Hearings. We firmly believe it is their involvement that helps with the recovery process.

To encourage Family and Friends involvement, for every one person a Justice Involved Veteran brings to court, they will receive a ticket to be placed into a raffle.



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